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GERMANY DID GIVE RUSSIA AUTIMATUM

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advantage and the national humiliation. We will not state whether, under these circumstances, it would be wise or not to accept humiliation. Such a discussion is idle. An autocracy may be able to choose humiliation. A democracy, and, at least of all, a British democracy, can do no such thing. The people, in such a dilemma, will always choose the sword.

RUSSIA IS BITTER

Society Women Abruptly Leave Diplomatic Banquet at German Embassy. (Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.) ST. PETERSBURG, April 3.—The Czar's sudden submission to the Kaiser has wrought Russian society to an incredible pitch of bitterness. A single incident will illustrate how the families nearest to the imperial court feel their patriotism humiliated. The annual banquet at the German embassy to the leading families of Russia and the diplomatic corps, which was postponed for a month, owing to the death of the Grand Duke Vladimir, was given on the evening of the day when Russia's surrender to Germany's ultimatum on behalf of the Austrian Emperor was published.

As the Count and Countess von Pourtales were receiving their guests a dumb chill spread over the assembly as one after another of the grand dames of Russia cut Baron Iswolsky dead, as if he were one of the embassy footmen. Pourtales and all the foreign diplomats were placed in a most difficult position. It was not their quarrel, and yet they dared not seek to smooth matters. At such banquets po-

litical conversation is strictly tabooed, but the Russian nonpolitical families refused to say a word, and it was a veritable feast of death.

When the Russian women left the table, instead of retiring to the drawing-room for coffee they called for their wraps and then for their husbands and left the house. It became impossible to attempt any pleasurable society, and the other guests followed the example of the Russian women, the banquet closing without the reception which had been announced.

A Savage Taunt. On the following night a more savage taunt was leveled in the hall of the Russian Historical Society at the Czar, through his scapegoat, Iswolsky. A large meeting of the professional and leisure classes was assembled, under Professor Godin, to hear a lecture on Slavonic life and customs outside of Russia. Professor Milukoff, leader of the Constitutional Democrats, said that although Russians had not yet learned how to love they now knew whom to hate. Such a passionate volley of cheering followed that a great body of police was brought into the hall by the inspector, who was watching the proceedings. Milukoff's utterance was masterly as a veiled incitement. On the surface it might mean hate for the Germans or for Russian diplomacy and bureaucracy, but what aroused the vehemence of the audience was its pointing directly to the Czar, of whom all were thinking.

The meeting was forthwith closed, the audience cheering as the police escorted them outside. The only consolation for the national spirit in these days is the advent of General Sukhomlinoff as minister of war. He has so many supporters among patriotic officers and the energetic civil elements in the country that it is believed he will secure for himself a position like M. Stolypin's, which is so strong that

the Czar does not dare ask him to resign.

The Czar's parlor committee of imperial defense, under Grand Duke Nicholas Nicolaievitch, has already been dissolved, and General Sukhomlinoff has now taken under his personal control the mobilization department of the general staff. All his training, which began under General Dragmireff in the Turkish war, has been on Russia's western frontier, and apart from his personal qualifications, he is counted a broad-minded and vigorous statesman, who refused to come to St. Petersburg until he could come with a free hand.

LONDON GOSSIP

A-Ray Treatment for Children Causes Great Deal of Discussion.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] LONDON, April 3.—The London County Council's suggestions that school children suffering from ringworm be treated with X-rays, and that power be given to compel the attendance of children for treatment immediately the disease is discovered, has caused a great deal of controversy. Dr. Turner, a well-known X-ray worker, writes warning Londoners against the suggestion. He says the injuries of exposure to X-ray in adults are well known. It is probable that the delicate cells of a child's growing brain would be injuriously affected by much shorter exposure, although evidence of impairment of function might not become noticeable until its development was complete. No child, he declares, should have the chief centre of its nervous system exposed to the rays without the consent of its parents after all the risks of the treatment are fully explained.

The Court Theatre, so famous a short time ago as the home of advanced drama under the management of Granville Barker and the literary patronage of Bernard Shaw, has since been the scene of many theatrical failures, until now, shorn of its glory, it is a moving picture theatre, with the discovery of Bernard Shaw as the theme of its present pictures.

Mr. Frohman intends to produce a new French play, "The Scandal," simultaneously in New York and London. It is understood that King Edward is considering favorably a petition from the dancing teachers, who wish to be danced at state balls. It is said that the King and Queen were so enchanted with the minuets and pavans, as danced at the German court, that they have decided to introduce them at Buckingham Palace state balls. Where those present wear court dress or uniform they will not look so out of place dancing stately minuets.

The Duchess of Roxbury has gone to Paris, where she will meet her mother.

They will spend Easter at Floors Castle.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Brooks are staying at Cliveden with Mrs. Waldorf Astor. They are to be the godparents of Mrs. Astor's week-old baby.

Sir Gilbert Parker is still suffering from influenza.

Sir George and Lady Cooper have a party at Hursley Park for the race. Lady Cooper will return to London after Easter.

GERMANY COMPLAINS

Payne Tariff Bill, It Is Said, Is Based Upon False Information.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] BERLIN, April 3.—F. O. Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America, has been elected a member of the honorary committee of the international exhibition of aeroplanes to be held at Frankfurt-on-the-Main in July. The exhibits will be shown at work in the open air instead of as hitherto fixed inside a building.

Complaints were made in the Reichstag during the week that the Payne tariff bill, so far as it concerns some German exports, is founded on false or erroneous statements as regards the cost of production sent to Washington by American consuls, who apparently originally went wrong about getting the important information required. The consuls, it is said, wrote direct to the manufacturers regarding the cost of the articles in question, and the

latter, for obvious reasons, refused to furnish the information desired.

The result was that much erroneous information reached Washington, where it was used as a basis for revision. This was especially the case with textiles. Several of the consuls pointed out to the Washington government the impossibility or rather the uselessness of making such inquiries. Finally, very late, perhaps last week, Washington went the right way about the matter, and by its diplomatic agents got the information through the German Chambers of Commerce, who checked the manufacturers fully trusted. The question causing much anxiety is the effect the projected revision will have upon the provision.

If the bill goes into effect in July what will become of the provision. According to that agreement it cannot be terminated without six months' notice. The question is put to American consuls daily, but they confess that they are unable to answer.

PRaises GRISCOM

Article, Supposedly From the King, Praises the American Ambassador.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] ROME, April 3.—The Tribune prints an editorial, which is believed to come from the King, entitled "A Man and an Example." It sketches the rapid and brilliant career of Lloyd Griscom, the American ambassador, contrasting it with the opposite system in Italy, where ambassadorial rank is reached only by old men, who generally exhaust their energy in their efforts to obtain it. The case of Mr. Griscom, the youngest ambassador in Italy, is set as an example to be followed.

The article enumerates what Mr. Griscom has accomplished in behalf of the earthquake sufferers' relief expedition, in rehabilitating work in house building, in establishing two hospitals and finally in the erection at Messina of a hotel capable of accommodating 200 persons. His work is thoroughly praised. Keen regret is expressed at his imminent departure, as he is considered the most popular American diplomat ever accredited to the Quirinal.

MEMORIAL INAUGURATED

Erected to the Memory of the Poets Keats and Shelley.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] ROME, April 3.—The memorial to poets Keats and Shelley, erected under the auspices of the Keats and Shelley Memorial Association, was inaugurated to-day in the presence of King Victor Emmanuel, the British ambassador, Arthur Severn, chairman of the Anglo-Italian committee, Edward Kipling and many prominent English, Italian and American admirers of the poets. Among the latter were General Woodford and Charles Arthur Moore. Speeches were made by the British ambassador and Mr. Severn.

The memorial consists of a marble tablet outside the house in which Keats died. It is inscribed "Keats-Shelley Memorial House, acquired and dedicated to the memory of the two poets by their admirers in England and America." The ceremony of dedication was very simple, and about fifty persons were present. An address was made by the poet laureate, Mr. John Masefield, who had to leave for Naples to meet former President Roosevelt on his arrival.

TO GREET ROOSEVELT

Many Americans Now in Naples Awaiting His Arrival.

NAPLES, April 3.—A number of Americans have arrived to greet Mr. Roosevelt when he arrives on the Hamburg Monday. The American residents on the island of Capri have chartered a steamer especially for the trip over. Many earthquake refugees from Messina will send Mr. Roosevelt their cards as a token of gratitude for the American help to the earthquake sufferers.

Several boxes of cartridges, purchased in London by Mr. Roosevelt, have been sent here for delivery, and two large packages of letters are also awaiting his arrival. The steamship people say that the Hamburg probably will come in at 8 o'clock Monday morning.

GAINED KNOWLEDGE

Count Zeppelin Profited by His Experience in the Gale.

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, April 3.—Count Zeppelin was questioned to-day regarding his recent trip from here to Munich and back in the course of which he was blown out of his course. "The result of this flight has shown me that when a storm sprinks up and landing becomes perilous the balloon can remain in the air until the danger is passed. The wind attained a velocity of over forty miles an hour on this journey, while my motors developed a speed of 25½ miles an hour. The airship was consequently driven backward, but we never lost control of the steering gear."

SHY OF RABBIT

Just Now Parisians Would Not Relish Hare Served at Table.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] PARIS, April 3.—Having inoculated affections with smallpox virus, the authorities of the Paris Hospital lost touch with them and nobody knows where they are, and in consequence Parisians are somewhat shy of rabbit as a dish just now.

OPEN BIDS SOON

Proposals for Municipal Electric Plant Must Be In by April 26.

A call was issued yesterday for a meeting of the Committee on Electricity Tuesday night at 8 o'clock for the purpose of deciding upon the form of proposals for the electric light, heat and power plant. The time limit for receiving bids is April 26. The plans and specifications will be in the office of the City Electrician for inspection by the prospective bidders on the new plant. At that time the committee will also elect an engineer of construction to take charge of the work. It is probable that E. W. Trafford, who has had full charge of the plans and other preliminary arrangements, will be chosen for the position.

The Finance Investigating Committee has been called for to-morrow night at 7:45 o'clock to officially wind up the work of the investigation. The special Committee on Forms of Government will hold a public session Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Other meetings now on the calendar are as follows: Monday, Common Council, at 8 o'clock; Tuesday, Grounds and Buildings, and the Committee on the Improvement of James River, both at 8 o'clock. The only other meeting called for the week is that of the Subcommittee on Grounds and Buildings for Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

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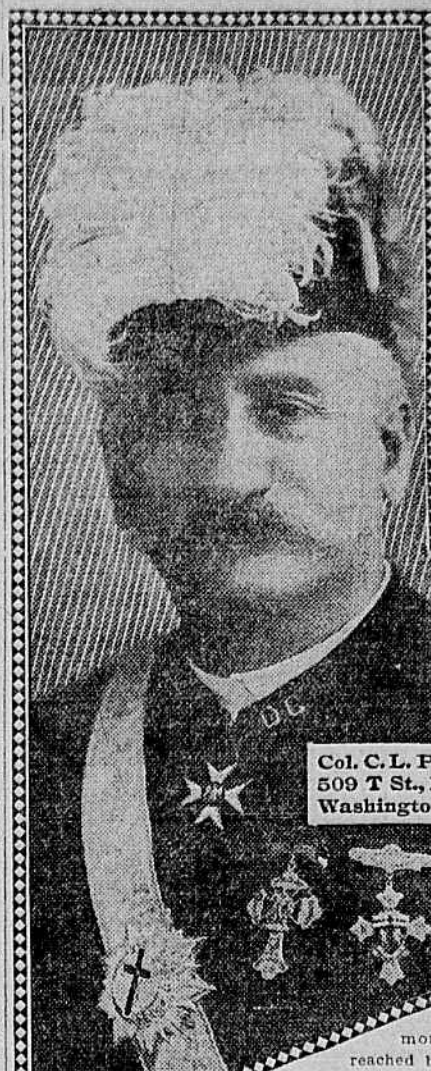
Thomas Hughes, of Massachusetts, Suspected of Stealing Jewelry.

Thomas Hughes, who claims to be a dentist of Massachusetts, was arrested yesterday in the Second District on suspicion of having committed larceny.

It is alleged that when Hughes left his boarding-house on Seventh Street a jewel-case also disappeared, and the jewelry was afterwards found in his suit-case. Hughes said that he was taking it simply as a souvenir of Virginia. Two other men were with him at the time, but they have not yet been caught.

Lawson-Kirby.

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kirby, of 455 North Twenty-seventh Street, Wednesday, when their daughter, Miss Kirby, became the bride of Dwight M. Lawson, a prominent young business man of Portsmouth. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a number of relatives and friends by Rev. E. L. Grace, pastor of Broadwood Memorial Church. Miss Hattie Lawson, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, and



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What are you going to do with such evidence? Are you going to turn away from it and listen only to the talk of people who probably never saw a bottle of Peru-na, certainly never tried a bottle of it, who have nothing else to do but to talk about other people's affairs? Are you going to listen to such people as that, instead of accepting the testimony of those who know?

There may be a few people so constituted as to be able to perform such a mental feat. But the sensible people, the reliable people, the brave and brain of the world, who are governed by principles of justice and common sense, are going to accept the clear, pointed and undoubted testimony of a man of national reputation who knows what he is talking about.

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Emmett C. Kirtley, brother of the bride, acted as groomsmen.

After an extended Northern tour Mr. and Mrs. Lawson will return to Portsmouth, where they will make their future home.

PRELIMINARY TEST OF HEATING PLANT PROVES SATISFACTORY.

Members of the Grounds and Buildings Committee, along with the City Engineer, the Building Inspector and the contractor, began the preliminary test yesterday afternoon of the heating system recently installed in the Auditorium. As far as the test went, the machinery proved most satisfactory. The boilers worked well, and it was not long before the heat in the extreme parts of the building reached as high as 70 degrees. The test was completed this week. From the result of yesterday's work it is probable that the plant will be pronounced satisfactory and accepted by the city.

MEETING OF STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Elliott, chairman of the State Democratic Committee, announced yesterday that he will leave for a meeting of the committee here the latter part of this month. The date will not be decided until the members can be consulted, as the chairman will have to fix a date that will be convenient to all. A large volume of business will be taken up at the meeting. Assessments for candidates will have to be fixed and preparations made for the general campaign before the November election.

VERDICT FOR BANK IN DAMAGE SUIT TRIED HERE.

In the City Circuit Court yesterday a verdict for the defendant was rendered in the suit of Henry Dabney against the National Bank of Virginia. The jury, which was drawn from Henrico county was out of the room only a few minutes. Dabney claimed that he had deposited in the bank \$300, for which he had received credit. As part of the evidence he showed erasures on his pass book, alleging that the entry should show there. The bank showed, however, that there was no ground for the suit.

Rev. Ryland Knight III.

The Rev. Ryland Knight, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, is ill at his home, 1207 West Avenue, and will be unable to conduct services to-day. Owing to his sudden illness arrangements for the service had to be changed, and for the night meeting of foreign missions, will conduct the morning service, and at night, J. P. Watts, secretary of the Sunday school, will speak. Mr. Knight's condition is serious, and he will probably be out in a few days.

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